

SILVERWINGS

"Back to the basics"

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Weather



Today

High: 66, Low: 45
AM Showers



Saturday

High: 65, Low: 39
Partly Cloudy



Sunday

High: 70, Low: 46
Mostly Sunny



Monday

High: 70, Low: 46
Partly Cloudy

News Briefs

BCC Luncheon

The Base Community Council will hold a lunch meeting at 11:30 a.m. October 27 at the Columbus Club. The base will present a summary of all the projects that were funded during our record end of year close out. Please RSVP to the Public Affairs office by Monday at 434-7068.

Youth Center Fall Festival

The Youth Center Fall Festival will start at 5 p.m. October 29.

Enlisted Promotions

The next Enlisted Promotions Ceremony will be at 3:30 p.m., October 30 at the Columbus Club. Come join the BLAZE Team in congratulating the 14th Flying Training Wing's newest enlisted promotees.

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Feature **10**

SUPT Class 10-01 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.



U.S. Air Force Photo/Sonic Johnson

Columbus AFB Team members pause during the Mississippi Diabetes Association's local walk for diabetes Sunday at the City of Columbus River walk. R-L, CMSgt Rich Brackett, 14th Flying Training Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, Mrs. Leslie Watkins, wife of 14th FTW commander Col. Roger Watkins, Mrs. Debbie Brackett, Mrs. Marti Ross and husband Col. George Ross, 14th FTW Vice Commander and Monica Johnson, daughter of Sonic Johnson, 14th FTW Public Affairs Officer represented Columbus AFB and carried the Year of the Air Force Family banner during the four-mile walk.

'Week' of the Air Force Family festivities set to start Nov. 1

Second Lt. Erik Svendsen
14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

July 2009 to July 2010 has been designated the "Year of the Air Force Family" by the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

November 1 will mark the beginning

of a weeklong celebration including various activities supporting the pillars with more activities to follow throughout the year.

Active Duty, Reserve and Guard members, officers and enlisted, DoD civilians, spouses, and children, as well as community partners and retirees and their families are all included in the year-long event.

The Air Force has a long tradition of taking care of our people and this year will focus on improving upon that tradition.

The Air Force Family is built around four pillars of excellence: Health and Wellness; Airman and Family Support; Education, Development, and Employment; and Airman and Family Housing.

COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

PHASE II

Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Track Select
37th (10-11)	-2.95 days	-4.18 days	Dec. 11
41st (10-10)	0.49 days	-3.44 days	Nov. 17

PHASE III

Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation
48th (10-02)	-0.86 days	-0.73 days	Nov. 17
50th (10-01)	0.00 days	-1.71 days	Oct. 23

IFF

Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation
49th (10-BB)	-1.64 days	-1.15 days	Nov. 17

WING SORTIE BOARD

Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
T-6	2,206	1,791	1,791
T-1	667	644	644
T-38	654	561	561
IFF	134	125	125

The graduation speaker is Col. George H. Ross III, 14th Flying Training Wing Vice Commander.



T-1A Jayhawk



Capt. Michael Hampton
Peoria, Ill.
A-10, Boise, Idaho ANG



First Lt. Dinesh George John
Singapore
TBD, Singapore



First Lt. Aaron Koh Yunkai
Singapore
TBD, Singapore

Twenty-three officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to be an Air Force pilot.

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 10-01 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium.

The graduation speaker for the class will be Col. George Ross, 14th Flying Training Wing vice commander. He is responsible for day-to-day operations of base support functions and mission activities of more than 3,100 people, an operations and maintenance budget of \$110 million and capital assets and equipment exceeding \$740 million. In addition, the wing supports seven associate units and provides essential contingency mission support for Air Education and Training Command, the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

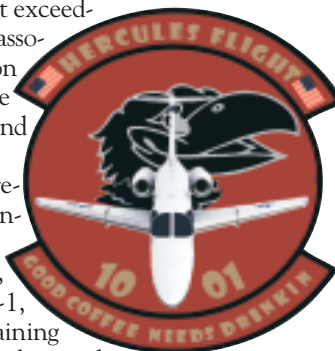
Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Second Lt. Ian Osterreicher, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Audrey McCabe, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Christopher Brown, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Scott Mixdorf. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

Lieutenants McCabe and Osterreicher were named the distinguished graduates of Class 10-01.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight. The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the single-



engine, turboprop T-6A Texan II at Columbus AFB, Miss. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes approximately 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 hours in the T-6A aircraft.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track.

Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38C Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes approximately 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground training, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 hours in the T-38C aircraft.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place Beech Jet 400 business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 hours in the T-1A.

Each class is partnered with two business or civic organizations during their year of training. This program is designed to foster closer ties between the community and Columbus Air Force Base. Today, each student will be given a set of pilot wings with their names engraved on the back as a token of good luck from their partners. Class 10-01s pilot partners are Columbus Kiwanis Club, and Columbus-Lowndes Development Links Military Affairs Committee.



T-38C Talon



First Lt. Tico Sellers
Anchorage, Alaska
B-52, Barksdale AFB, Lou.



Second Lt. William Cerat
Jamestown, N.Y.
C-17, McGuire AFB, N.J.



Second Lt. Christopher Brown
San Antonio, Texas
T-6, Columbus AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Jon Brown
Snellville, Ga.
F-22, Tyndall AFB, Fla.



Second Lt. John Davis
Fresno, Calif.
KC-135, Kadena AB, Japan



Second Lt. James A. Diroff
Orlando, Fla.
KC-135, MacDill AFB, Fla



Second Lt. William Groth
Hartland, Wisc.
MC-12/NSA, Cannon AFB, N.M.



Second Lt. Travis Harvey
Moberly, Mo.
KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



Second Lt. Lars-Kristian Hinrichsen
Darnestown, Md.
U-28, Hurlburt Field, Fla.



Second Lt. Ryan Kyzar
Murfreesboro, Tenn.
T-1, Columbus AFB, Miss.



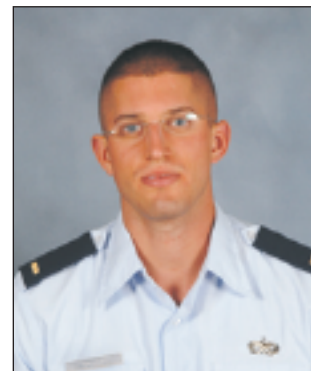
Second Lt. Andrew Lawrence
Oakdale, Calif.
MC-12/KC-135, Kadena AB, Japan



Second Lt. David Lessani
Half Moon Bay, Calif.
C-130, Pope AFB, N.C.



Second Lt. Audrey McCabe
Fairfax, Va.
C-17, Hickam AFB, Hawaii



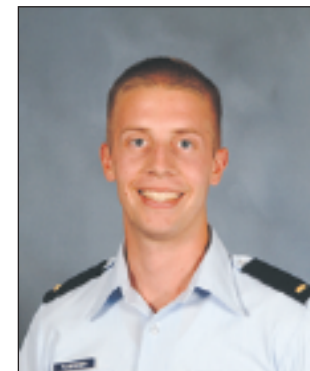
Second Lt. David Miller
Queens, N.Y.
UAS, Cannon AFB, N.M.



Second Lt. Scott Mixdorf
Waterloo, Iowa
KC-10, Travis AFB, Calif.



Second Lt. Ian Osterreicher
Buffalo, N.Y.
A-10, Davis Monthan AFB, Ariz.



Second Lt. Thomas Plasterer
Las Vegas, Nev.
KC-135, McConnell AFB, Kansas



Second Lt. Peter Robinson
Westford, Vermont
KC-135, Fairchild AFB, Wash.



Second Lt. Elizabeth Welch
Seattle, Wash.
KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



Second Lt. JohnRoss Wendler
Fairmont, Minn.
C-17, Elmendorf, Alaska



Advanced Composite Cargo Aircraft gets X-plane designation

Derek Kaufman
88th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — Air Force officials have approved X-55A as the new designation for the Advanced Composite Cargo Aircraft.

The X-55A is a technology demonstrator for the design and manufacturing of future aircraft using advanced composite materials. The X-55A is a modified Dornier 328J aircraft with the fuselage aft of the crew station and the vertical tail removed and replaced with completely new structural designs. These designs are made from composites using new out-of-autoclave curing techniques. The test platform contains some 600 accelerometers and stress gauges.

The aircraft's first flight was June 2, 2009, at Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, Calif.

"We're extremely proud to have been awarded X-designation," said Barth Shenk, X-55A program manager with the Air Force Research Laboratory's Air Vehicle Directorate. "We hope to take this testing to the next phase to further mature our understanding of composite materials, how they behave in flight and how they age. This effort may drastically change the way we manufacture future military and civilian aircraft."

The strength, light weight, ease of manufacture and corrosion resistance are just some of the composite materials characteristics Air Force officials want to use the X-55A to explore, Mr. Shenk said.

The X-55A was made possible by a 10-year AFRL-led research and development investment called the Composite Affordability Initiative. Government labs including NASA worked collaboratively with industry to develop advanced materials and manufacturing technologies, Mr. Shenk said.

The ACCA was conceived by AFRL as a fast-track, low-cost development effort. Working with Lockheed Martin's Skunk Works, it was designed in 5 months, then built and flown 20 months after the go-ahead. The aircraft was built at half the estimated cost of a conventional design of the same size, according to Mr. Shenk.

Test flights on July 13 and August 8 expanded the aircraft's maneuver envelope and recorded external aerodynamic flow data.



Courtesy photo
The Advanced Composite Cargo Aircraft makes its first test flight June 2, 2009, from Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, Calif. The ACCA is a modified Dornier 328J aircraft. The fuselage aft of the crew station and the vertical tail were removed and replaced with completely new structural designs made of advanced composite materials fabricated using out-of-autoclave curing. It was developed by Air Force Research Laboratory and Lockheed Martin officials.

Phase III of the program was awarded to Lockheed Martin Sept. 17 and plans to fully expand the flight envelope and characterize the structure, examine reliability and longevity of the design and baseline the X-55A as a test-bed for other technologies.

According to Mr. Shenk, the X-55A program has already demonstrated the feasibility of designing and manufacturing large, bonded unitized structures featuring low-temperature, out-of-autoclave curing. The fuselage was constructed in two large half-sections (upper-lower) featuring sandwich construction with MTM-45 skins and Nomex core, bonded together with adhesive and ply overlays along

the longitudinal seam rather than numerous frames, stiffeners and metal fasteners used commonly in traditional aircraft. The vertical tail was designed using tailored stiffness technology. These were joined with an existing Dornier 328J cockpit, wing, engines and horizontal tail.

Compared to the original metallic components, the composite structure uses approximately 300 structural parts versus 3,000 metallic parts for the original components and approximately 4,000 mechanical fasteners compared to 40,000.

(Robyn Dinwiddie of the Air Force Research Laboratory contributed to this article).

"This is probably the most fun I'll ever have on deployment," Sergeant Emond said. "It's given me a chance to see how the war is being fought from inside a command post."

VSNAP is a system developed early this year to provide Soldiers in remote locations with Internet connectivity.

"It's a great system because the disc can be set up in about 15 minutes and you can probably be passing traffic in a half an hour," Sergeant Emond said. "It can pull power of a running Humvee. You don't even need a generator to operate the system."

Airman helps Army get connected

Army Pfc. Melissa Stewart
Combined Joint Task Force-82

LOGAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan — Shoot, move and communicate is a Soldiers motto on the battlefield, but without stable Internet connection, communication would not be possible.

Staff Sgt. Jeremy Emond at Combat Outpost McClain does his part in aiding Soldiers communicate by providing Internet

access.

"Here I'm supporting the warfighters at ground zero," Sergeant Emond said.

Although having Internet access may not seem to be important, nearly everything from tacking intelligence reports, planning operations and tracking troops outside the wire depend on Internet connectivity.

"Before he came out here the (secure Internet protocol router) was really slow, and with most of my job I use SIPR," said Army

Spc. Daniel Bailey, a Headquarters Company, Task Force Spartan intelligence analyst. "Since he's come, everything has been really fast."

Sergeant Emond is one of nearly 80 Airmen from around the world that deployed to various locations in Afghanistan to operate the virtual secret Internet protocol router, nonsecure Internet protocol router, access point, which provides much needed Internet access for Soldiers.

VIEWPOINT

Lorenz on Leadership - Cherish Your Spouse

General Stephen R. Lorenz
Air Education and Training Command

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Just last week, while walking past the base chapel, I witnessed a scene that caused me to pause and reflect. I turned and watched as people, dressed in their Sunday best, flowed from the chapel doors, smiling and casually chatting. They slowly split into two lines, creating a path that led to a waiting limousine. The crowd stood and waited, fueling my anticipation. Suddenly, a photographer burst from the doors, turned and captured a bride and groom as they ran outside. The crowd erupted with cheers. The bride, white gown flowing as she ran, paused to hug a friend. The groom immediately tugged at her hand, pulling her towards the waiting limousine. Without pause, they hopped in the limousine and the crowd again cheered as they sped away.

I couldn't help but smile as I watched the newly married military couple start their new life together. It made me think about our spouses and our military families. The Secretary of the Air Force and our Chief of Staff named this the "Year of the Air Force Family." In doing so, they hoped to bring more attention to the sacrifices our families endure and the service they provide our nation. I couldn't agree with them more - our families, especially our spouses, are the foundation that enable each of us to serve in the world's greatest Air Force.

I don't think anyone would argue the importance of having such a foundation. Our lives need balance and our spouses help provide that stability. I like to use the analogy that such balance is similar to the spokes of a bicycle wheel. You see, a bicycle needs balanced spokes in order to provide a smooth ride. Our lives are no different. I think of the spokes as the different priorities in our lives. If one of the spokes, like the relationship with your spouse, the needs of your children or the responsibilities at work, get slighted, the wheel no longer rolls the way it should. It might even get to the point where it stops rolling altogether.

We must balance each of our life's spokes very deliberately and carefully. When we are balancing shortfalls and managing a limited amount of time, money and manpower, our spouses often are the ones who get short-changed. We can't afford to let that happen and must always make time to tell our spouses how much we appreciate them. When you're tired from the challenges at work, take a deep breath, walk in the door with a smile, and tap your energy reserve to make a difference with the time that you have. It only takes a minute to let them know how much you care - a simple squeeze of the hand, rub on the shoulder or a phone call during the day. Think about the things that make you feel appreciated and loved. Do those things for



General Stephen R. Lorenz is the Air Education and Training Command commander.

them in return. Always strive to give more than you receive.

This isn't an easy thing to do. Maintaining the friendship, trust and energy in a relationship is a full-time job. It's up to you to make it a fun job - for both you and your spouse. In a recent article I talked about the danger of complacency in our professional lives. The same goes for our personal lives too. Many people confuse complacency with comfort. Although comfort can help build stability in a relationship, complacency can cause a relationship to drift apart. Never, ever take your spouse for granted.

Our spouses make significant sacrifices each and every day. There are countless stories of spouses who go above and beyond - stories of men and women who volunteer in the local community and pursue their own successful careers despite long days and deployments by their military spouses. There are even more untold stories about spouses who quietly make a difference

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every day. The story of the wife who, after a long swing shift, returned home to wake her family, cook everyone breakfast and send them all out the door before collapsing herself; the story of the husband who stayed up all night taking care of sick children so that his wife could go to work rested and ready. Resist the temptation to become accustomed to such acts of sacrifice and kindness.

These tremendous examples are often interrupted by the "other" stories. We've all done "boneheaded" things - forgotten important occasions, not paid enough attention to our spouse's concerns, tried to solve their challenges for them (instead of just listening sympathetically). Work hard to avoid these thoughtless acts in the first place. Be critical of yourself and the things you do. Your standard of excellence at work should be no different when at home. Lastly, when you feel your spouse has neglected you in some manner, it is best to forgive without pretense. Put past grudges aside so that you can move forward together. After all, forgiveness is what you hope for after apologizing for those "boneheaded" things I just discussed.

As I turned to leave, the crowd had already forgiven the bride and grooms' hasty departure, and started to dissipate from the front steps of the chapel.

The couple was starting their life together, as a military team. I thought of my spouse, Leslie. We made a commitment to each other more than 34 years ago. We knew that our lives would be better if spent together and have learned through the years to depend on each other in order to accomplish our goals.

For me, Leslie has been the key to keeping my wheel balanced. I've worked hard through the years to make each day with her better than the one before; to keep my wheel rolling smoothly. Our individual strength comes from the foundation that our spouses provide at home. By cherishing your spouse and making sure they know how much you appreciate them, your wheel can continue to cruise happily through life as well.

Visit www.columbus.af.mil to learn about Columbus AFB agencies and other important information.



Mobility Airmen continue peak pace for Operation Enduring Freedom



receiver aircraft as the surge was announced. By September, that number grew to 80.2 million pounds of fuel off-loaded. Combined from February through September, tankers off-loaded more than 563 million pounds of fuel in the stepped up war effort — an average of 70.45 million pounds of fuel off-loaded each month.

Mobility Airmen not only stepped up their efforts for airlift and air refueling for Operation Enduring Freedom, but also they've done it with airdrops. Through the summer months, the Combined Air Operations Center has also tracked the volume of cargo airdropped into Afghanistan at record levels. In June, a record 3.2 million pounds of cargo was airdropped, only to be beaten in July with 3.3 million, then August with 3.8 million and again in September with 4.1 million pounds. That's more than 14.4 million pounds of cargo floating down from the sky over Afghanistan — directly delivering much-needed supplies and aid to American and coalition warfighters.

The record number of pounds delivered also means record numbers of airdrop bundles delivered. As an example, in 2007, the Air Force airdropped 5,675 cargo bundles to troops in Afghanistan. In 2009, with an average of about 1,065 bundles a month, the Air Force is on pace to airdrop more than 12,700 bundles — more than doubling the pace two years ago. Additionally, the Air Force is doing this with less airdrop missions — 538 in 2007 compared to a projected 435 in 2009.

The efforts of mobility Airmen are not going unnoticed in Afghanistan. "The Air Force airdrops are providing needed support to Soldiers in the field, getting people and parts to our guys in the business moving the additional troops into Afghanistan, KC-135 Stratotankers and KC-10 Extenders have demonstrated a steady increase in fuel off-loaded as the year progressed. Combined Air Operations Center statistics show.

In February, tankers off-loaded 60.1 million pounds of fuel to out here."

Air Force loadmasters assigned to the 816th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron conduct an airdrop from a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft Sept. 2, 2009, over the southern region of Afghanistan. Pallets are being airdropped to provide needed supplies to ground personnel.

U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Shawn Weismiller



Reporting Sexual Assault

There are three different methods people can use to report sexual assault.

It's vital you know the difference!

1. Unrestricted

- ◆ Sexual Assault Response Coordinator is contacted
- ◆ SARC Victim Advocate provides supportive services for victim
- ◆ Chain of Command, Office of Special Investigations and Law Enforcement are notified
- ◆ No confidentiality. Commander will determine course of action in cases of bilateral misconduct after investigation initiated

2. Restricted

- ◆ Sexual Assault Response Coordinator is contacted
- ◆ Victim receives counseling
- ◆ and victim receives medical care
- ◆ Chain of Command, Office of Special Investigations and Law Enforcement are not notified
- ◆ Victim has confidentiality even if there is bilateral misconduct on his or her part, such as underage drinking

3. Independent

- ◆ Third-party reporting is an inherent responsibility of all military personnel. If you tell anyone who subsequently notifies OSI or Law Enforcement, or if someone observes the assault and notifies Law Enforcement, an investigation may be launched. This can occur in conjunction with or regardless of restricted reporting.

If Law Enforcement is contacted, the report is automatically unrestricted.

Call the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator at
Office: (662) 434-2875 or (662) 434-1130 Cell: (662) 386-0811
24/7 On-Call Hotline: (662) 364-0822

Search for missing pilot turns from rescue to recovery

Rob Sexton

20th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. — The commander of the 20th Fighter Wing, Col. Joe Guastella, issued the following announcement Oct. 17 regarding Capt. Nicolas Giglio, missing since a mid-air collision Oct. 15:

“In spite of an intense search conducted by hundreds of professionals from the Coast Guard, Navy and Air Force, we have found no trace of Capt. Nicholas Giglio.

“However, our investigation of the mishap revealed that the mid-air collision itself was traumatic. The speed and geometry of the impact breached the canopy of Captain Giglio’s aircraft and leads us to conclude the trauma he sustained was fatal.

“He never had the opportunity to eject.

“We will make every effort to recover Captain Giglio’s aircraft and his remains. We are grateful to all those involved in the search effort.

“We will continue to investigate the accident. The thoughts and prayers of all of us at Shaw are with Nicholas Giglio, his family, and his friends.”

Captain Mike McAllister, U.S. Coast Guard-Charleston, announced this evening that the Coast Guard was suspending the search-and-rescue operation it has been conducting since the accident.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Kathrine McDowell

Captain Michael McAllister, U.S. Coast Guard Sector Charleston commander, right, addresses the media with Col. Joseph Guastella, 20th Fighter Wing commander, Oct. 17. The joint service press conference announced that the search for a missing Air Force pilot involved in a mid-air collision Oct. 15, Capt. Nicholas Giglio, has been suspended and has turned into a recovery operation. The investigation of the mid-air collision revealed the impact breached Captain Giglio’s canopy, causing fatal injuries.

Association officials name military families of year

WASHINGTON — Seven families, one from each of the uniformed services, have been selected as National Military Family Association’s 2009 Military Families of the Year for the roles they play in their communities and the way they embrace the military lifestyle.

“They’re really all great,” said Bailey Toombs, a National Military Family Association spokeswoman. “A lot of them are just really involved in the community and just go above and beyond.”

The association serves the five branches of the armed forces as well as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Public Health Service.

To be nominated, or to nominate themselves, families must be associated with one of the services or be the family of a fallen servicemember, Toombs said. Active duty, reserve components, and retiree families of the Army, Navy, Air Force Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, or the commissioned corps of NOAA or the Public Health Service also are eligible.

The seven families chosen to represent their services are:

— Master Sgt. Wayne and Tech. Sgt. Thane Ojala and their family, of Las Vegas, are the Air Force Family of the Year. The dual-military family volunteers and says, “It’s a good feeling to know we’re contributing to something greater than ourselves.” They view the challenges of military life as an opportunity to become closer as a family.

— Army Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin Nolan and his family, of Fort Riley, Kan., are the Army Family of the Year. The family is active in its church, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, as well as the children’s school and Nolan’s command.

— Navy Lt. j.g. Joshua Caldwell and his family, of Kailua, Hawaii, are the Navy Family of the Year. The Caldwells have overcome many obstacles to get to where they are today. They regularly volunteer in the community and help to support hospital patients, homeless veterans and disabled youth.

— Marine Sgt. Dennis Leanes and his family, of Camp Lejeune, N.C., are the

Marine Corps Family of the Year. When the sergeant is deployed, his wife and children throw themselves into serving their community. According to the family, they “have learned not to define ourselves by our challenges, but by our accomplishments.”

— Coast Guard Petty Officer 1st Class Aaron Udland and his family, of Juneau, Alaska, are the Coast Guard Family of the Year. This family’s passion is the Relay for Life fundraiser for cancer research. They’ve turned volunteering into a whole-family activity and love to spend time together exploring the wonderful activities that Juneau has to offer.

— National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Family of the Year Cmdr. Shep Smith and family, are stationed at Norfolk, Va. They like to travel, participate in a community theater group, and stay involved in the NOAA Corps community. The Smiths are active participants in the NOAA Officers Family Association, helping to keep their small community strong.

— Public Health Service Family of the

Year Cmdr. Dana Hall and the Horesh family, stationed at Overland Park, Kan., support local food banks because they are “working hard to teach our children that they have a responsibility to actively participate in the improvement of their community.”

The National Military Family Association’s National Military Family of the Year will be chosen from among these seven families and announced Oct. 28 in Washington. The announcement, and presentation of awards by the service chiefs, will be made as part of the organization’s 40th anniversary celebration.

The National Military Family Association is a nonprofit organization committed to strengthening and protecting the families of the men and women currently serving, retired, wounded or fallen. It provides families of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Commissioned Corps of the USPHS and NOAA with information, works to get them the benefits they deserve, and offers programs that improve their lives.

Base News

Divorce Recovery Class

The chapel will sponsor a Divorce

Recovery class on Tuesday evenings from 6-8

p.m. starting October 20. The class will cover

emotional, spiritual, and practical strategies

for dealing with divorce. The subject matter

will be approached from a Christian religious

perspective, but will be helpful for anyone. It

will be open to all CAFB personnel and

dependents that have dealt with or are deal-

ing with issues surrounding divorce. Contact

Chaplain Logan at the base chapel to register

or if you have questions: 434-2500 or

william.logan@columbus.af.mil.

Pioneer Club

The CAFB Chapel has begun registration

for the children's program Pioneer Club. The

Systems office located in Building 900, Room

9. Please call 434-2020 for additional infor-

mation.

Authoritied personnel may retrieve proper-

ty that is marked for DRMO Facilities only if

they are still physically located in Base

Supply. For more information, call the

Inspection Section at extension 434-7233 to

review the property, Stock Control at

434-7198 to check for authorization and

Customer Support at 434-7178 to order the

property. All other DRMO processing is done

via the Web at: www.drms.dla.mil.

Study

The CAFB Chapel will be holding a vari-

ety of Adult Bible Studies from 6 p.m. to 7:30

p.m. A Pot Luck dinner will be served at 5

p.m., please bring a side dish or dessert to

share if you are able. Please call the Chapel

at 434-2500 for a list of studies.

Refresher

Time to get together with the gits for fun

and fellowship at the CAFB Chapel! Join us

once a month for a different kind of ladies

ministry. We start at 6 p.m.

November 12 - Time to dust off the cook

books and cook up your favorite holiday

recipe, don't forget to bring a few copies of the

recipe to share. We'll fellowship, swap recipes

and stories.

Library Story Time

The base library will hold Story Time on

Thursday from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Story

Time will continue to be held each week.

Saint Leo U. Military Spouse

Military spouses seeking a degree at Saint

Leo U. can enroll in two classes and take a

credit class for FREE. Contact Dew White at

434-8844 or stop by the Saint Leo U. office in

Base Supply. Inspection maintains the Last

point of contact is the Inspection Section of

the Personnel Bldg, Room 120.

Education Counseling Hours

(CCAF, Education counseling programs, Tution

Bachelor's/Master's programs, Assistance, etc.)

is now available Mondays

and Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. by

appointment only. Please contact Edward

Hodge at 434-2562 to schedule.

every day or once a week; whichever you pre-

fer (allotted time is 3.5 hours a week). Pin

numbers are required and can be picked up

along with instructions from the Telephone

are aware, there are many unique issues our

schools. The role of the School Liaison

up, send an e-mail to AFRCO@columbus.af.mil

and ask to be added to the list. This calendar

provides great information on things happening

at your Airman & Family Readiness Center. For

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U.S. Air Force photo/Drew Buchanan

49th Fighter Squadron Association Reunion

Captain Nick Graham
49th Fighter Training Squadron

The Black Knights of the 49th Fighter Training Squadron proudly hosted a reunion for the 49th Fighter Squadron Association October 8-10 at Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.

The 49th Fighter Squadron Association is comprised of former members of the 49th from World War II to the present. Each year in October they hold a reunion at varying locations. Over 50 members attended this year, including six World War II veterans, three of which flew the P-38 Lightning during the era when the 49th referred to themselves as the Hangmen.

Reunion events on base included four orientation flights in the T-38C IFF, base tours, T-38C IFF simulators, observing IFF student training briefings and debriefings, a squadron cook out, a roll call, and culminated with formal banquet at the Columbus Club. Off base events for all participants included evening meals at a variety of local restaurants and an historic homes tour in downtown Columbus. "Having the 49th FSA members and their families joins us at Columbus AFB for their reunion was truly an honor," noted Lt Col Tor Dietrichs, commander of the 49th Fighter Training Squadron. "This squadron has a strong heritage and it was great for all the current 49th FTS members to see it firsthand."

Attendees at the reunion were again honored by the presence of Mr. Frank Mullinax, a 49th WWII P-38 pilot and former POW who recorded two Luftwaffe kills before being shot down and captured by the Germans. He spent nine months in captivity before escaping and spending another ten months

evading in the Italian mountains, finally making his way to a British patrol who helped him make his way back home. Shot down in December 1942, he finally arrived back in the US on July 4th, 1944. He retold his heroic tale at the Hangmen's roll call Friday afternoon.

The featured speaker at the reunion banquet was world-renowned aviation artist Mr. Keith Ferris. Ferris was the speaker when the 49th Fighter Interceptor Squadron deactivated its F-106 mission at Griffis AFB, N.Y. His awe inspiring speech covered 80-years of an Air Force life that started with a father who was an Army Air Corps pilot in the 1920s. Mr. Ferris has flown in almost every USAF aircraft over the last fifty years and has produced sixty paintings in the Air Force Art Collection as well as several which hang in the Smithsonian. He also produced a painting for the retirement of the T-37 from SUPT which he presented at the retirement ceremony here in May, 2008. A signed copy of "The Right of Passage" now hangs in the lobby of the Columbus Club. He relayed some of the details related to aircraft paint schemes he designed and the mechanics and precision required to produce his aviation paintings, clearly demonstrating he is as much a scientist as he is an artist.

Ferris was first invited to fly the T-38 at Randolph AFB, Texas in May 1963. Col Tor Dietrichs flew Mr. Ferris on his orientation flight on Friday morning, some 46 years after that initial T-38 flight.

The Black Knights of the 49th are proud to have shared in this great heritage event and look forward to continued active support of the 49th Fighter Squadron Association.



U.S. Air Force Photo/Sonic Johnson

49th Fighter Training Squadron hosted an enlisted forum for Columbus AFB enlisted Airmen and enlisted members of the 49th Fighter Squadron Association during their reunion October 9 in the 49th FTS Heritage room.

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Mr. Frank Mullinax, WWII era P-38 pilot and Capt. Nick Graham, 49th Fighter Training Squadron, extinguish the candle on the POW/MIA table at the conclusion of the 49th FS Association banquet October 10 at the Columbus Club. Mullinax was a former WWII POW who spent nine months in captivity in Italy during 1943 and 10 months evading after his escape from a moving train.

1-2-3, Play with Me!

1-2-3, Play with ME! is designed for children age birth to 4 years old, and their parents and caregivers. The goal of this program is for the library to become a community hub for healthy child and family development, parent and community involvement and life-long learning beginning at birth. The program will consist of 5 hour long play times where the children will be able to engage in activities that will help strengthen their motor skills and social skills, as well as encourage early literacy. Volunteers are needed to work at various play stations (toy kitchen, puppet stage, costume center, building blocks station, etc...) while children and parents make their way around the room playing and interacting with the toys. Volunteers must love kids and be able to interact with the parents and the children. Call the Community Volunteer Center at 328-0807 for more information.

Cinderella Fundraiser

The Cinderella Project of Lowndes

Project

County is in full swing and we have over 100 gowns donated to date! I am so excited to report that Taggart's Auctions here in Columbus sold a wholesale lot of over 1,500 dresses to Hudson Salvage LLC. Hudson's picked the dresses up 30 minutes before The Cinderella Project was able to submit a bid. Fortunately, Hudson Salvage is an extraordinary company and is allowing a shopping committee from the project to "shop the warehouse" before the dresses are distributed to the stores. We have partnered with Papa John's in Columbus. They have provided us with Community Fundraiser Cards to raise as much money as we can before Oct 21 \$10 "Gowns a Gal" and gets you 20 FREE pizzas! We have a goal of 100 new dresses! Help us meet our goal! Your contribution goes straight to our community! No money? No Problem! Donate your dress. Donations can be made and dropped off at Rob Naugher State Farm Agency at 202 Hospital Drive, Columbus, Ms 39705. (662) 327-1671.

CAFB Commanders tour school construction



U.S. Air Force photo/E.J. Griffis

Dr. Del Phillips III, Columbus Municipal School District Superintendent gave a tour of the new Columbus Middle School construction site to Col. Ken Bryson, 14th Mission Support Group commander and Col. Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, October 16. The commanders were shown the construction status and discuss future road layout and safety.

BARGAIN LINE

The deadline for submitting ads is noon Monday before the desired publication date. Ads turned in after the deadline will run the following week. Ads can be mailed to or dropped off at the public affairs office in the 14th Flying Training Wing Headquarters building, e-mailed to silverwings@columbus.af.mil or faxed to 434-7009. Calling Ext. 7068 by noon Monday can extend the run date of ads already submitted. Silver Wings reserves the right to limit ads based on content, space and frequency of requests. Advertisements for private businesses or services providing a continuous source of income may not appear in the Bargain Line. They may, however, be purchased through the Commercial Dispatch, 328-2424.

Homes

For sale: 81 Azalea Trail, 3BR 2BA, just minutes to CAFB, features updated kitchen and baths, a great open floor plan, large sunroom, beautiful

laminat flooring, new landscaping, storm windows, FP with insert/blower, new roof and HVAC in 2007. Asking \$126,500. FMI call 405-919-2753.

Transportation

For sale: 2006 Ford Explorer XLT; 55k miles, 3rd row seat, \$16,000 o.b.o. FMI call (662) 574-5558.

For sale: 2006 Victory Hammer Motorcycle, less than 5000 miles, 1624cc engine, 6 speed transmission, 300mm rear tire, performance exhaust, aftermarket tail lights, blinkers, and license plate holder. Nada w/o accessories is \$11,500 asking \$11,000/obo. FMI call 662-269-4509 to see/ride it.

For sale: 1997 Isuzu Rodeo V-6, 5spd, power opt., well maintained, 2nd owner, clean and trouble free. \$2,750 obo. FMI call 912-271-6521.

For sale: 1997 GMC 1500 SLE Vortec V-8 Pick up 4WD, Z-71, leather, cruise, bed liner, towing package, multi-CD, fair outside, but solid mechanically w/ all records, 215K

miles. Great hunting truck, 1st \$4,000. Call Chris @ 229-460-8497 or 662 889-7796.

For sale: 2001 Lincoln Town Car Executive: Blue exterior, tan leather seats, new battery, 6 disk CD changer and front headlights. 4.6L V8 Auto. Smooth ride, excellent working condition. Make an offer. 662-425-4953 or 337-274-5479.

For sale: 2005 Yamaha Raptor 700R ATV for sale. Great condition!! \$4,000 OBO. FMI call 662-574-9764 for more info.

For sale: Motorcycle 2006 Kawasaki ZX-14 Ninja, some extras, excellent condition - \$6,900. Also, enclosed sport-bike motorcycle trailer - \$2,200 FMI call 600-238-3687

For sale: Tractor, Kubota 23 hours use, 50hp 2-wheel drive, with 6' disk, bush hog and box blade; \$13,500. FMI call 205-375-6333.

For sale: 2000 Toyota Tacoma, V6, SR5 Prerunner, X-tra cab 2WD, auto w/od, tow-package, CD player, pwr win/dr locks, cruise, sliding rear glass, mileage 136k, excellent condition,

maintenance records available, Michelin X Radial LTs, \$6,900 o.b.o; FMI call 918-519-2159.

Miscellaneous

For sale: Olympic Queen mattress set with frame, \$350. FMI call 600-238-3687.

For sale: Kids Play Kitchen, Step 2 Lifestyle Deluxe Kitchen; clean, good condition; retails for \$219; sale price \$75 o.b.o. FMI call 662-574-9764.

For Sale: Golf clubs-10.00; American Touristor luggage, \$10 old rotary black phones (2), still work, \$20 each; two pair of roller blades \$5 each; field jacket w/liner Med. Long \$30; large stereo cabinet, has two glass doors, \$15; Dell PC monitor 16 inch, \$20; Accent amplified speaker system for PC, still in box \$12. FMI call 328-4374.

Moving sale: Dining room table, excellent condition Ashley Furniture cherry stained and black butterfly table with extension, eight barstool chairs included, retails for \$700; asking \$450

o.b.o. Light oak colored queen sized panel bed, headboard, footboard, frame, box spring, mattress included; \$200 o.b.o. 1.5" queen sized Memory Foam mattress topper; \$50 o.b.o. Professional quality 10-seat poker table with built-in cup holders; \$200 o.b.o. Motivated Sellers! Contact 662-549-7745 or 662-889-4264.
For Sale: Baby items: double stroller, side by side model, \$30; back carrier/stroller, folds in to a stroller or back carrier, great for traveling, \$40; baby gate \$10, Call 662-497-2175 FMI.

Saturday Yard Sales

Garage Sale: 5683 Wolfe Rd, 1 mile north of the Broken Spoke.-- Saturday 24 Oct. 7:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. Multi-family; items include kitchen ware, queen size bed, shelves, lamps, bedding, stereo equipment, books and much more.

For a good cause



Maj Audrey Orek, 49th Fighter Training Squadron instructor, assists the Columbus-Lowndes Humane Society find homes for orphaned pets during Caladonia Day festivities Saturday.
USAF Photo/Sonic Johnson

IFF Class 10-AB graduates three, one to follow

The 49th Fighter Training Squadron hosted an IFF graduation on October 15 in the squadron heritage room. Three members graduated this phase of their training on their way to becoming fighter pilots in the A-10 for the Combat Air Forces, with one additional student pending graduation in the near future.

The 49th FTS is responsible for Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, and International flying training in the T-38C/IFF aircraft. The 49th FTS provides training to fighter pilots and weapon system officers entering Air Force major fighter weapons systems, which include the F-16, F-15C, F-15E, and A-10.

The nine-week course begins with tactical formation flights and then introduces pilots and WSOs to basic fighter maneuvers (BFM) and air-to-air employment in offensive, defensive, and high aspect flight scenarios. Students bound for aircraft with an air-to-ground attack capability then move on to surface attack and low-altitude tactical navigation phases learning to employ ordnance against ground targets. The skills learned during IFF fighters these students will soon fly in their follow-on training and one day employ in combat.

Congratulations to the following fighter candidates!



Capt. Christopher Palmer
A-10 Distinguished Graduate and Air-to-Air Top Gun



Capt. William Yoakley
A-10 Air-to-Ground Top Gun



1st Lt. Richard Olson
A-10



2nd Lt. Samuel Hummer
A-10 Pending Graduate

Deployed BLAZE chaplain supports overseas operations



Chaplain (Maj.) Alan Chouest, 14th Flying Training Wing chaplain, currently deployed, speaks to members of the 55th Expeditionary Rescue Squadron. Chaplain Chouest provided warrior care to the members of the squadron through visitation, counseling and worship service.

14TH FLYING
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As of press time, 51 BLAZE TEAM members are de-ployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.



Stop loss Airmen eligible for compensation

Master Sgt. Russell P. Petcoff
Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs Office

WASHINGTON — Current and former Airmen who were involuntarily held on active duty beyond an approved separation or retirement date as a direct result of stop loss between Sept. 11, 2001, and Sept. 30, 2009, may be eligible for a Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay compensation of \$500 for each month they were affected. Affected Airmen may start applying for compensation Oct. 21.

The 2009 War Supplemental Appropriation Act set aside \$534.4 million for the Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay compensation authority. Air Force officials used stop loss for Operation Enduring Freedom in 2001-2002 and Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2003. The Stop Loss Program may have affected approximately 39,000 current and former Airmen.

The Retroactive Stop Loss Special Pay

Authority compensates servicemembers and members of the Reserve components who served on active duty while his or her enlistment or period of obligated service was involuntarily extended, or whose eligibility for retirement was suspended.

The payment is also payable to legally designated beneficiaries of deceased or incapacitated Airmen.

Eligible individuals have until Oct. 21, 2010, to file their claim.

To make a claim, eligible active, retired and former Airmen, or legally designated beneficiaries, may download a stop loss claim application from the Air Force Personnel Center Web site at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/stoploss, or call the Total Force Service Center at (800) 525-0102 for assistance. Applicants who were serving in the Reserve or Guard at the time of stop loss may find an application by visiting the Air Reserve Personnel Center Web site at <https://arpc.afrc.af.mil/vPC-GR/>.

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Football Scores

Game 1:	14thCS	W	14th OSS Team #2	L	Forfeit	
Game 2:	Rapcon	28	W	14th CPTS	6	L

Sports Shorts

Biker Night: The bowling center offers a free cheeseburger from 5 to 9 p.m. every Monday night during the months of September and October. Bring in your helmet and receive one free burger. For more information, call 434-3577.

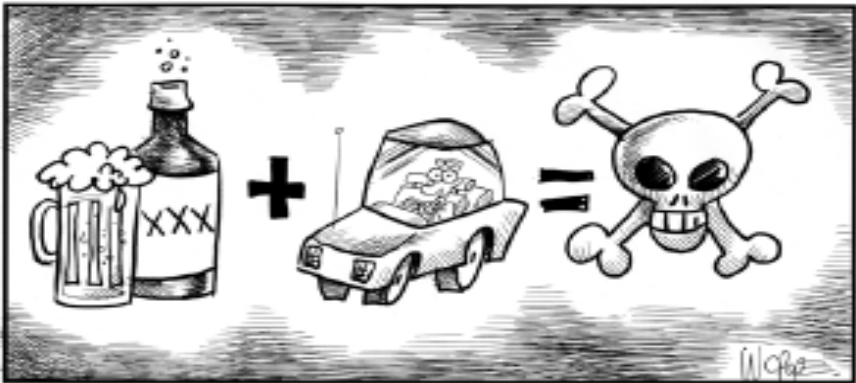
Winter bowling leagues: Sign up now – leagues available for the Thursday night intramural league, the Tuesday night mixed league and the youth league on Saturday mornings. If you would like to start a league, contact the bowling center for more information. Call 434-3577.

Badminton tourney: Register at the Fitness Center for this fun tournament at 1 p.m. Nov. 1. Recommend registering early but will take late entries the day of the event. For more information, call 434-2772.

Fright night no tap bowling tournament: The Bowling Center offers this fun event starting at 7 p.m. Oct. 31. Cost is \$10 per person and includes three games and shoe rental. Prizes awarded for best costumes. Register no later than 6:30 p.m. the day of the event. For more information, call 434-3426.

Bowling Center closure: The bowling lanes, not the snack bar, will be closed Dec. 2 to Dec. 19 for installation of new pinsetters and lanes. For more information, call 434-3426.

Wacky Glo BallGolf Tournament: The Whispering Pines Golf Course offers this fun tournament starting at 3 p.m. November 7. Cost is \$30 plus greens fees and includes 9 holes of wacky golf, taste testing and judging at every hole for the Year of the Family chili cook-off contest and then 9 holes of glo ball golf as soon as it gets dark. Register by November 1 at the Pro Shop.



ANNUAL BLAZE TEAM HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN PATROL

Special to Silver Wings from the
14th Mission Support Group

As everyone knows, Halloween is just around the corner on Saturday October 31, and the safety of our “Trick-or-Treaters” will be paramount. Pinnacle Property Management coordinated with Columbus Air Force Base for “trick-or-treating” hours of 6 – 8:30 p.m. on Columbus AFB. With a large number of children out and about, it is important to keep safety in mind.

New construction areas in State and Magnolia Villages plus demolition and refurbishment areas in Capitol housing area are closed this year to protect the safety of our “trick-or-treaters.” A reference map will be printed in next week's Silver Wings depicting the open/closed areas in the community. The housing area speed limits are temporarily reduced to 10 mph while “trick-or-treating” hours are open and where children are present, otherwise speed limits remain as posted.

Pinnacle distributed paper pumpkins to residents for display on the door. The paper pumpkins, in combination with a lit porch light, will help parents and children determine houses participating in “trick-or-treat” activities.

The 14th Security Forces Squadron will again sponsor its annual “Pumpkin Patrol.” These easily identifiable ATV, bicycle and foot patrols will wear BDU/ABUs with reflective vests and carry Security Forces radio and flashlights. If any suspicious events or accidents occur, they will quickly respond and transmit information to Security Forces Control Center to coordinate the appropriate response.

To augment on-duty Security Forces, military volunteers are solicited from around the base and will be assigned to 2-person patrols. These volunteers will be trained by Security Forces and assigned within each of the housing areas. We are looking for approximately 20 to 30 volunteers to augment on-duty security forces patrols. If you wish to volunteer, please call your First Sergeant, who will in turn, will call the Security Forces Crime Prevention Manager, Ms. Jacalyn Caisse, at 434-2595. We hope everyone has a safe and Happy Halloween!

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun
26	27	28	29	30	31/1
Night Flying Week	BCC Luncheon 11:30 a.m. @ Columbus Club		Pumpkin Carving Contest 3:15 p.m. @ Base Library Youth Center Fall Festival	Amazing Race Award Ceremony Enlisted Promotions 3:30 p.m. @ Columbus Club	Halloween 6-8:30 p.m. Monster March Halloween Party Bash Daylight Savings (fall back 1 hour)
2	3	4	5	6	7/8
Air Force	Family Week,	Nov. 1-7			
	Election Day		SNCO Induction Ceremony 6 p.m.	10-02 Assignment Night 5 p.m. @ Columbus Club	Career Day Columbus Veterans Day Parade 10 a.m.

Long Range Events

Nov. 10 - OSC Social
Nov. 11 - Veterans Day
Nov. 13 - Fun Run
Nov. 13 - Welcome Home Celebration
Nov. 14 - Experienced Rider Course

Nov. 14 - Salute to Veterans football game-MSU
Nov. 16 - IFF Graduation
Nov. 17 - Class 10-10 Track Select
Nov. 19 - Dormsgiving
Nov. 19 - Daedalians
Nov. 20 - Class 10-02 Graduation